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**A Statement from Silver Spring Forward
County Council approval clears the way for a Music Hall in Silver Spring**

Silver Spring Forward is delighted by the County Council Approval of Arts & Entertainment Land Use Changes. The vote will apparently clear the way for construction of the Fillmore Music Hall at the JC Penney site. Congratulations to the Councilmembers, and to County Executive Ike Leggett who championed the Music Hall ever since Silver Spring Forward brought the issue back to the front burner in 2006.

A vibrant music hall for downtown Silver Spring will likely bring new business, growth, jobs, and revenue to the region. As we have said all along, the music venue will be an economic shot in the arm for Silver Spring, and that is true now more than ever.

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